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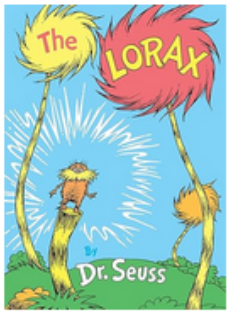

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"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot,
Nothing is going to get better. It's not."
— Dr. Seuss, The Lorax

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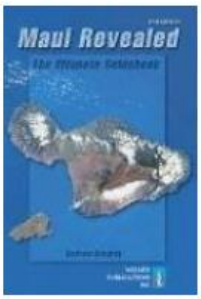

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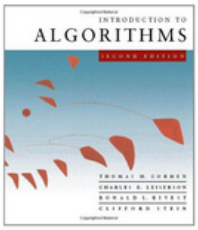

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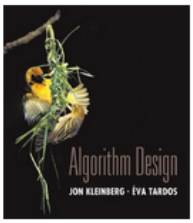

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Cleanest, most intuitive breakdown of algorithmic thinking I've encountered.
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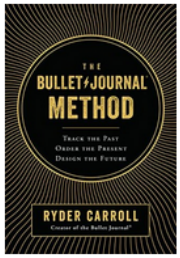

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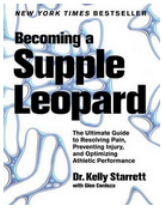

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by Tim Urban

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I believe this book will go down in history as one of the most important philosophical texts of the early 21st century

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QUOTES LUIGI LIKED

"The Scientist's clear mind sees a foggy world, full of complexity and nuance and messiness, the Zealot's foggy mind shows them a clear, simple world, full of crisp lines and black-and-white distinctions."

— Tim Urban, What's Our Problem?: A Self-Help Book for Societies

tags: black-and-white, eyes, mind, nuance, perspective, simple, world, worldview

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by Stephen "Steve-O" Glover, David Peisner (With)

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Rather than showing us his life, Steve-O mostly tells us his reflections on events and preaches the lessons we should learn from them. The stories lack dialogue and specific moments, making them generally unengaging. Which is a shame, because Steve-O has lived a wild life full of unique experiences.

Overall, I'm not sure I really learned anything. The lessons were all pretty generic and would've carried more weight with better storytelling. Further, I wish the lessons themselves were more interesting? Steve-O has been through intensive rehab programs - for sex, drugs, etc - over several years. Admirably, he's managed to stay sober for over a decade and now seems to have achieved a very healthy relationship. I would've been interested in hearing some of the specific tools and strategies he's learned over the years through these programs. Clearly they've helped him, and this is an area where he's truly an expert.

I love Steve-O. His life is full of wild stories, and his addictive personality is one I relate to. But this book was just OK. Maybe my expectations were too high given how much I enjoyed his first book - which I'd recommend instead.

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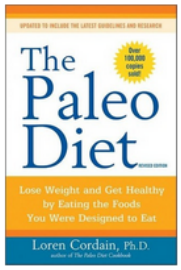

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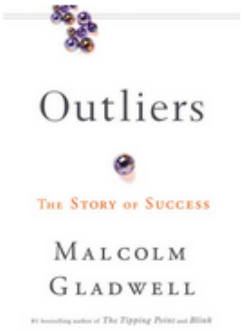

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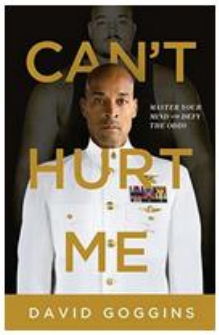

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Can't Hurt Me: Master Your Mind and Defy the Odds
by David Goggins (Goodreads Author)

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Goggins is extreme (and clearly unhappy), but in science we learn from the outliers.

Good fuel to kickstart your system out of a rut, if you need it. Eventual balance must be achieved though after the initial crisis has been handled.

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QUOTES LUIGI LIKED

"You are in danger of living a life so comfortable and soft, that you will die without ever realizing your true potential."
— David Goggins, Can't Hurt Me: Master Your Mind and Defy the Odds

tags: comfort, hardship, life, soft, success

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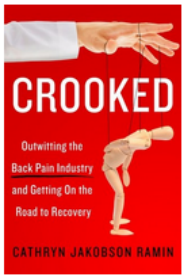

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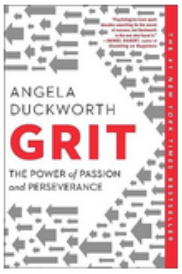

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"When you keep searching for ways to change your situation for the better, you stand a chance of finding them. When you stop searching, assuming they can't be found, you guarantee they won"

— Angela Duckworth, Grit: The Power of Passion and Perseverance

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"most dazzling human achievements are, in fact, the aggregate of countless individual elements, each of which is, in a sense, ordinary."

— Angela Duckworth, Grit: The Power of Passion and Perseverance

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Industrial Society and Its Future

by Theodore John Kaczynski

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Clearly written by a mathematics prodigy. Reads like a series of lemmas on the question of 21st century quality of life.

It's easy to quickly and thoughtless write this off as the manifesto of a lunatic, in order to avoid facing some of the uncomfortable problems it identifies. But it's simply impossible to ignore how prescient many of his predictions about modern society turned out.

He was a violent individual - rightfully imprisoned - who maimed innocent people. While these actions tend to be characterized as those of a crazy luddite, however, they are more accurately seen as those of an extreme political revolutionary.

A take I found online that I think is interesting:

"Had the balls to recognize that peaceful protest has gotten us absolutely nowhere and at the end of the day, he's probably right. Oil barons haven't listened to any environmentalists, but they feared him.

When all other forms of communication fail, violence is necessary to survive. You may not like his methods, but to see things from his perspective, it's not terrorism, it's war and revolution. Fossil fuel companies actively suppress anything that stands in their way and within a generation or two, it will begin costing human lives by greater and greater

When all other forms of communication fail, violence is necessary to survive. You may not like his methods, but to see things from his perspective, it's not terrorism, it's war and revolution. Fossil fuel companies actively suppress anything that stands in their way and within a generation or two, it will begin costing human lives by greater and greater magnitudes until the earth is just a flaming ball orbiting third from the sun. Peaceful protest is outright ignored, economic protest isn't possible in the current system, so how long until we recognize that violence against those who lead us to such destruction is justified as self-defense.

These companies don't care about you, or your kids, or your grandkids. They have zero qualms about burning down the planet for a buck, so why should we have any qualms about burning them down to survive?

We're animals just like everything else on this planet, except we've forgotten the law of the jungle and bend over for our overlords when any other animal would recognize the threat and fight to the death for their survival. "Violence never solved anything" is a statement uttered by cowards and predators."

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"The conservatives are fools: They whine about the decay of traditional values, yet they enthusiastically support technological progress and economic growth. Apparently it never occurs to them that you can't make rapid, drastic changes in the technology and the economy of a society without causing rapid changes in all other aspects of the society as well, and that such rapid changes inevitably break down traditional values."

— **Theodore J. Kaczynski, Industrial Society and Its Future**

tags: change, conservatism, conservative, culture, democrat, economy, inconsistency, individual, industrialization, liberal, popular-culture, progressivism, reform, republican, society, technology, tradition, traditional, traditional-values

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"The concept of "mental health" in our society is defined largely by the extent to which an individual behaves in accord with the needs of the system and does so without showing signs of stress."

— **Theodore J. Kaczynski, Industrial Society and Its Future**

tags: brainwashing, mental-health, propaganda, society, stress, system, unabomber

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"A surrogate activity is an activity that is directed toward an artificial goal that the individual pursues for the sake of the "fulfillment" that he gets from pursuing the goal, not because he needs to attain the goal itself. For instance, there is no practical motive for building enormous muscles, hitting a little ball into a hole or acquiring a complete series of postage stamps. Yet many people in our society devote themselves with passion to bodybuilding, golf or stamp-collecting. Some people are more "other-directed" than others, and therefore will more readily attach importance to a surrogate activity simply because the people around them treat it as important or because society tells them it is important. That is why some people get very serious about essentially trivial activities such as sports, or bridge, or chess, or arcane scholarly pursuits, whereas others who are more clear-sighted never see these things as anything but the surrogate activities that they are, and consequently never attach enough importance to them to satisfy their need for the power process in that way."

— **Theodore J. Kaczynski, Industrial Society and Its Future**

tags: freedom, hobbies, industrial-society 33 likes

"1. The Industrial Revolution and its consequences have been a disaster for the human race. They have greatly increased the life-expectancy of those of us who live in "advanced" countries, but they have destabilized society, have made life unfulfilling, have subjected human beings to indignities, have led to widespread psychological suffering (in the Third World to physical suffering as well) and have inflicted severe damage on the natural world. The continued development of technology will worsen the situation. It will certainly subject human beings to greater indignities and inflict greater damage on the natural world, it will probably lead to greater social disruption and psychological suffering, and it may lead to increased physical suffering even in "advanced" countries."

— **Theodore John Kaczynski, Industrial Society and Its Future**

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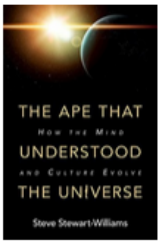

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"But just as a toaster used as a doorstop is still a machine designed to toast bread, you – whatever you choose to do with your life – are still a machine designed to propagate your genes. All of us are. It's what the priests, the sages and philosophers searched for in vain: the ultimate explanation for our existence."

– Steve Stewart-Williams, The Ape that Understood the Universe: How the Mind and Culture Evolve

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"any individual who chooses not to have children, or who has childlessness thrust upon them, brings to an end an unbroken chain of life that stretches back four billion years."

– Steve Stewart-Williams, The Ape that Understood the Universe: How the Mind and Culture Evolve

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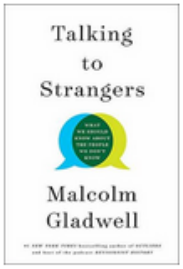

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message 1: by Luigi - rated it 5 stars — Dec 01, 2020 05:44PM

I've entertained the idea of taking a technology haitus a few times, but I've struggled to decide the best way to do that: A one-hour no-technology window each week? A one-time weeklong phone-retreat?

Seems like the author has spent a lot of time trying to answer that exact question. If I decide to ever try that hiatus, this should absolutely be my guide.

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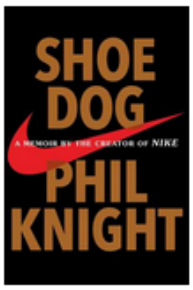

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I really enjoyed the last two biographies I read – Trevor Noah's memoir and the Elon Musk biography – and would love to read another.

This one's recommended by Bill Gates (who's yet to disappoint me with a recommendation) and the top rec from Paulina's boss (a self-proclaimed connoisseur of memoirs)

This one's a no-brainer. Marking as a top 15 to-read

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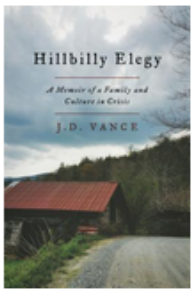

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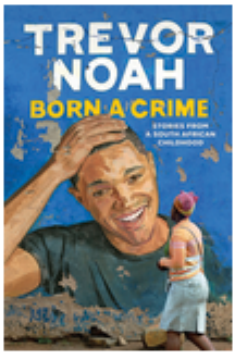

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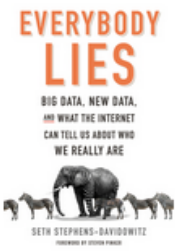

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Everybody Lies: Big Data, New Data, and What the Internet Can Tell Us About Who We Really Are

by Seth Stephens-Davidowitz (Goodreads Author)

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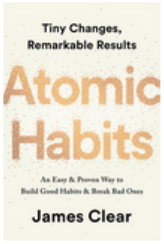

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by James Clear (Goodreads Author)

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QUOTES LUIGI LIKED

"Every action you take is a vote for the type of person you wish to become. No single instance will transform your beliefs, but as the votes build up, so does the evidence of your new identity."

— James Clear, Atomic Habits: An Easy & Proven Way to Build Good Habits & Break Bad Ones

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"You do not rise to the level of your goals. You fall to the level of your systems."

— James Clear, Atomic Habits: An Easy & Proven Way to Build Good Habits & Break Bad Ones

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"You should be far more concerned with your current trajectory than with your current results."

— James Clear, Atomic Habits: An Easy & Proven Way to Build Good Habits & Break Bad Ones

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"Problem #1: Winners and losers have the same goals."

— James Clear, Atomic Habits: An Easy & Proven Way to Build Good Habits & Break Bad Ones

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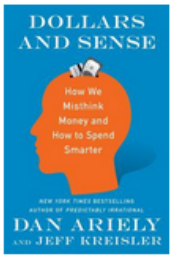

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by Aldous Huxley

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"I'd rather be myself," he said. "Myself and nasty. Not somebody else, however jolly."

"But I don't want comfort. I want God, I want poetry, I want real danger, I want freedom, I want goodness. I want sin."

"Actual happiness always looks pretty squalid in comparison with the overcompensations for misery. And, of course, stability isn't nearly so spectacular as instability. And being contented has none of the glamour of a good fight against misfortune, none of the picturesqueness of a struggle with temptation, or a fatal overthrow by passion or doubt. Happiness is never grand."

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"But I don't want comfort. I want God, I want poetry, I want real danger, I want freedom, I want goodness. I want sin."
— Aldous Huxley, Brave New World

tags: brave-new-world, hunger, thirst, yearning

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"If one's different, one's bound to be lonely."
— Aldous Huxley, Brave New World

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— Aldous Huxley, Brave New World

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— Aldous Huxley, Brave New World

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— Aldous Huxley, Brave New World

tags: child-abuse, conditioning, indoctrination, mind-control, parenting

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"All right then," said the savage defiantly, I'm claiming the right to be unhappy."
"Not to mention the right to grow old and ugly and impotent; the right to have syphilis and cancer; the right to have too little to eat, the right to be lousy; the right to live in constant apprehension of what may happen tomorrow; the right to catch typhoid; the right to be tortured by unspeakable pains of every kind."
There was a long silence.
"I claim them all," said the Savage at last."
— Aldous Huxley, Brave New World

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'In fact,' said Mustapha Mond, 'you're claiming the right to be unhappy.'

'All right then,' said the Savage defiantly, 'I'm claiming the right to be unhappy.'

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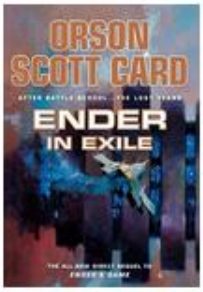

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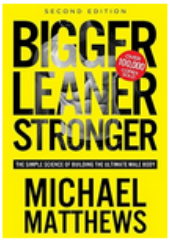

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by John Flanagan

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by Douglas Adams

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Spelunky
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by Derek Yu

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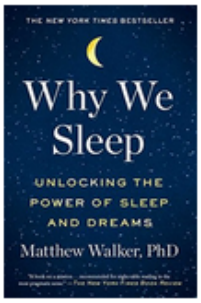

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Why We Sleep: Unlocking the Power of Sleep and Dreams
by Matthew Walker

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"Practice does not make perfect. It is practice, followed by a night of sleep, that leads to perfection."
— Matthew Walker, Why We Sleep: The New Science of Sleep and Dreams

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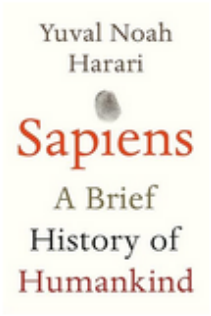

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by Yuval Noah Harari

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"History is something that very few people have been doing while everyone else was ploughing fields and carrying water buckets."
— Yuval Noah Harari, Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind

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"This is the essence of the Agricultural Revolution: the ability to keep more people alive under worse conditions."
— Yuval Noah Harari, Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind

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"How many young college graduates have taken demanding jobs in high-powered firms, vowing that they will work hard to earn money that will enable them to retire and pursue their real interests when they are thirty-five? But by the time they reach that age, they have large mortgages, children to school, houses in the suburbs that necessitate at least two cars per family, and a sense that life is not worth living without really good wine and expensive holidays abroad. What are they supposed to do, go back to digging up roots? No, they double their efforts and keep slaving away."
— Yuval Noah Harari, Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind

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"We did not domesticate wheat. It domesticated us."
— Yuval Noah Harari, Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind

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"We did not domesticate wheat. It domesticated us."
— Yuval Noah Harari, Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind

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"Money is the most universal and most efficient system of mutual trust ever devised."
— Yuval Noah Harari, Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind

tags: money-quotes

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"The romantic contrast between modern industry that "destroys nature" and our ancestors who "lived in harmony with nature" is groundless. Long before the Industrial Revolution, Homo sapiens held the record among all organisms for driving the most plant and animal species to their extinctions. We have the dubious distinction of being the deadliest species in the annals of life."
— Yuval Noah Harari, From Animals into Gods: A Brief History of Humankind

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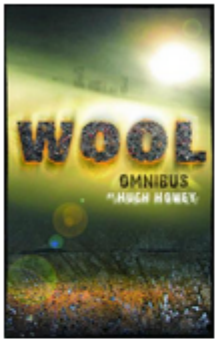

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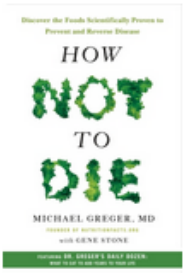

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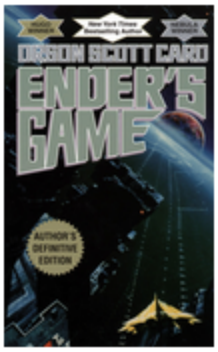

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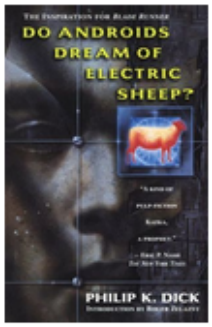

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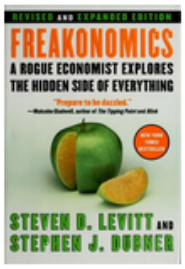

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Professional Idiot: A Memoir

by Stephen "Steve-O" Glover, David Peisner

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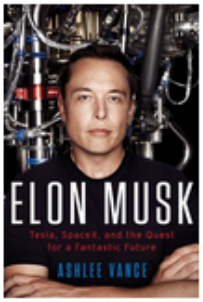

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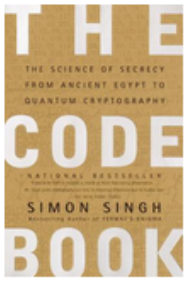

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